IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Kazumasa MAKINO

Group Art Unit: 2859

Application No.: 10/811,975

Examiner:

G. VERBITSKY

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Docket No.: 119306

For:

IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS UNIT AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS HAVING

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LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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